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#### Squid at Provincetown.

Some squid are being brought in to Provincetown, and the sch. Mary C. Santos and Nettie Franklin have been able to secure bait. Very few mackerel are being captured in the wells down there.

#### Mackerel at Newport.

No mackerel at all reached Boston yesterday morning, but Newport reported three sloops in there, the Alice with 2500 in count, the Clara T. with 1800 and the Wood and Mack with 900 fish.

#### Sch. Paragon at Portland.

Sch. Paragon of this port arrived at Portland Wednesday from a three weeks' cruise to the eastward, having done most of her fishing on Le Have Banks. She brought in 10,000 pounds of halibut, about 40,000 pounds of shack fish, and half a dozen swordfish. The halibut will probably be sold here, and the shack taken to Gloucester. The skipper reports considerable rough weather on the banks. Several other Gloucester schooners were in port during the day all engaged in seining, but the skippers all report mackerel as very scarce, the few seen acting wild, and almost impossible to catch.

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## MACKEREL TRIP SOLD AT AUCTION.

Fare of 95 Barrels of Large Fish of Sch. Monarch Brought \$39.50 Bbl.

Largest Price on Record for Same Quality of Fish.

The 95 barrels of large fat shore mackerel landed from sch. Monarch created considerable excitement among the buyers when they were placed upon the market for sale. The dealers decided the best way to dispose of them was by auction to which all agreed.

The sale took place at the rooms of the Board of Trade, with President Thomas J. Carroll as auctioneer. The first bid was made by Fred Bradley, who represented a Philadelphia party, at \$25 per barrel.

This caused considerable excitement but soon an advance was made and the price reached \$30 in short time.

Other bids run the fish up to \$38, and then someone shouted out a half better which caused shouting and cheering. Another bid made them \$39, but it did not stop there, for E.

K. Burnham, manager of the Consumers' Fish Company made the final bid of \$39.50, and they were knocked down to him at that figure.

Mr. Burnham was congratulated at having secured this fine trip even at such enormous price.

This is the highest price ever paid at this season for such a large quantity of mackerel and will realize Capt. Mattison and his crew and the owner of the vessel, Capt. John Chisholm, a good stock.

Last year small lots of later and probably fatter fish were sold at \$45 per barrel, which has never been equalled, although it may be before the present season closes.

#### Fresh Mackerel Sold at 14 Cents Each

The shore boats landed at this port today 1400 large mackerel, which were sold to the Gloucester Fresh Fish Company at 50 cents each. This is the first fresh mackerel landed here for some time.

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## NEW PORCIE STEAMER AT THIS PORT

Craft Has Crew of 32 Men and Capacity of 3500 Barrels.

A strange craft to Gloucester harbor was seen this morning moored at Atlantic wharf, being the fine new steamer Herbert M. Edwards, in command of Capt. Edwards, who is engaged in porgie seining.

The craft was built at Rockland, cost \$65,000, and is one of the best and finest fishing steamers ever seen in these waters, and when loaded, carries 3500 barrels. At present she has on board 1200 barrels of porgies, which were caught in three sets of the seine in Boston Bay yesterday. Capt. Edwards was in hopes of securing a full load today, when he will return to Promised Land, N. Y., where the company has their factories and discharge them.

Capt. Edwards said he has a crew of 32 all told, mostly natives of Nova Scotia and Newfoundland. Included among them are one mate, two engineers, three firemen, two oilers and cook and steward.

This fine vessel is owned by the Atlantic Fertilizer and Oil Company and went into commission July 12, since which time she has landed 19,000 barrels of menhaden. The ground covered in the operations of these porgie catchers is from the South Carolina coast to Monhegan Me.

The menhaden, Capt. Edwards says, are much plentier off the New England coast this season than for many years. In fact, he says they are all along the coast, and it looks as if

these fish would return to their old haunts, where they were to be found in abundance some years ago. For the last 15 or 20 years they seemed to have abandoned those waters as the mackerel have done and it looks now as if they were about to return in as great a number as they were 50 years ago, and the mackerel he thinks might take the same course, since as a matter of fact, 40 or 50 years ago, when mackerel was plenty on this shore, porgies were also in great abundance.

To date, the porgie fishers have been more successful than for the last decade, and the season will not close until the middle of November, and the steamers will gradually follow them as they leave this coast, clear to the Cape Hatteras.

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#### Big Stocks.

Sch. Mabel Bryson, Capt. Joseph Sampson, on his last sword fishing trip, stocked \$1635, the crew sharing \$107.

The fare of salt cod of sch. Jubilee, Capt. William Chetwynd, realized a fine stock of \$2825, the high line sharing \$95.

Capt. Fred Thompson of sch. Gov. Foss on his last Georges halibut trip stocked \$2500, the crew sharing \$54 each. Capt. Thompson in four trips in this new craft, stocked \$12,000.

## RECEIPTS PLEASE BOSTON DEALERS.

FRESH MACKEREL, SWORDFISH, AND GROUND FISH ON THE MARKET.

The showing at Boston today in the matter of fish receipts is very encouraging to dealers there, especially in the matter of fresh mackerel, there being six trips to be disposed of. The vessels have from 2000 to 7000 small fresh mackerel, which were taken off the Maine coast, and are selling at 7 1-2 cents for small and 32 cents for large.

This is good news and seems to show that the mackerel are still on this coast, and some good hauls may yet be made before the season closes.

In the matter of ground fish, there are five medium fares and two of swordfish, the latter bringing 12 cents.

Prices on all kinds today show an improvement over yesterday. It looks now as if a firm market would be in order next week.

From now on Boston will be in a position to handle large receipts of fresh fish and will probably absorb all that will be landed from this time forward.

#### Boston Arrivals.

The fares and prices in detail are:

Sch. Stranger, 41 swordfish.

Sch. Rose Standish, 30 swordfish.

Sch. Klondike, 3000 cod, 2000 pollock, 3 swordfish.

Sch. Leo, 5000 haddock, 1000 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. Josephine DeCosta, 17,000 haddock, 17,000 cod, 18,000 hake.

Steamer Spray, 54,000 haddock, 2000 hake.

Sch. Charles A. Dyer, 1000 small fresh mackerel.

Sch. Mystery, 7500 fresh mackerel.

Steamer A. B. Nickerson, 8000 fresh mackerel.

Sch. Dauntless, 6000 fresh mackerel, 20 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Reliance, 5000 fresh mackerel.

Steamer Bryda F., 7500 fresh mackerel.

Steamer Bethalia, 2000 fresh mackerel.

Haddock, \$1.25 to \$1.50; large cod, \$4; market cod, \$3; pollock, \$1.25 to \$1.50; hake, \$1.50; swordfish, 12 cts. per lb.; large mackerel, 32 cents; and 7 to 7 1-2 cents each for small.

#### Gabarus, C. B., Fishermen Doing Well Catching Herring.

A dispatch from Gabarus, C. B., to the Sydney Record says:

"The past few days have been exceptionally good for local fishermen and all the men have reported large hauls of herring. Monday several of the men returned from the herring grounds with catches of between 14 and 15 hundred herring and the average catch per man was in the vicinity of ten hundred. When it is considered that about 160 herring goes to a barrel, and are sold at \$4.50 and \$5.00 per barrel an idea is given of the prosperity of the fishing industry in this town. The herring haul of Monday was also very large and were of an unusually large size, making only about 150 to the barrel. Speaking of the fishing generally here one of the oldest fishermen remarked that this year so far has been the best for the industry in Cape Breton for the past 50 years, and would doubtless continue as good as in the past for the next several years to come.

An enthusiastic liberal remarked here that the mere mention of reciprocity, which will be the greatest boost the fishing industry of Cape Breton ever received has had the effect of stimulating the local fishermen and that when they do receive its benefits they will not be able to handle the business it will bring to their nets.

#### Snails as Sea Junkmen.

Carrier snails are to the sea and ocean what junkmen are to towns and cities, says an unidentified writer. The snail receives its name from its habits of carrying foreign objects on its back. Nothing comes amiss to the carrier snail if it is not too big. Cast-off shells of small mollusks, bits of broken coral, tiny stones and even fragments of broken glass dropped overboard from passing vessels are cemented firmly to the edge of the growing shell, nor is this curious creature satisfied when the shell is completely covered, but continues to add to its collection of fastening new pieces to the old ones already piled upon its back until it is no longer able to move beneath its burden.

As it is an inhabitant of tropical waters, swarming with voracious fish, crabs, etc., there is method in its madness. Its hungry enemies pass it by, unable to distinguish it from the rocks and snail shells on the sea bottom. Some of them show a preference for tiny pebbles all of one shape and equal size, others accumulate only shells of one kind, and one picked up off the coast of Japan had its portable house entirely roofed with glass.

#### Portland Fish Notes.

After a trip of four weeks, the Portland fishing sch. Wautauga, Capt. Hayden, returned to that port Wednesday from LaHave bank. Capt. Hayden reported that the weather has been far from good. His fare consisted of 600 pounds of halibut, 5000 pounds of salt fish and one swordfish.

Sch. Marion Turner has finished her season of off-shore fishing and will now fit for trawling.

#### Vessels Spoken.

Capt. Horace Wyld of sch. Ingomar, reports speaking 10 days ago on the southern edge of Quero Bank, schs. Raymah, Richard, Terra Nova, and Francis J. O'Hara, Jr., on fair fish and doing better on herring bait than squid.

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## SALT MACKEREL AND MIXED FISH.

ONE FARE OF EACH LANDED AT THIS PORT THIS MORNING.

Receipts of fish today are confined to one trip of 35,000 pounds of mixed ground fish and one seiner, sch. Monarch, from the Maine coast with 95 barrels of large salt mackerel.

This is the banner fare of salt mackerel since the arrival of the vessels from Cape Shore in June, in fact it is the only real large fat shore mackerel landed this season, and Capt. Madison is to be congratulated upon his good luck. Owing to the scarcity of this choice article, a high price may be looked for, as there is considerable rivalry among local buyers for this much desired commodity.

The large porgie steamer Herbert N. Atwood is in port with 1200 barrels fresh porgies, taken yesterday, but will not land them until she gets a full fare, when they will be taken to the oil factory at Promised Land, N. S.

#### Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Monarch, seining, 95 barrels large salt mackerel.

Sch. Flora J. Sears, haddock, 35,000 lbs. fresh mixed fish.

Sch. Mattie Winship, Georges.

Sch. Galatea, via Boston.

Sch. Mabel E. Bryson, via Boston.

Steamer Herbert N. Atwood, seining, 1200 bbls. fresh porgies.

Sch. Little Fannie, seining.

Sch. Mary Emerson, seining.

Sch. Reliance, seining.

Steamer Ranger, seining.

Steamer Alaska, seining.

Steamer A. M. Hathaway, seining.

Steamer E. L. Coad, seining.

Steamer F. S. Willard, seining.

Shore boats, 1400 large fresh mackerel.

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#### Fishing Fleet Movements.

Schs. Lucinda I. Lowell, Helen G. Wells, Richard, Yankee and Bernie and Bessie arrived at Canso on Tuesday last.

Sch. Avalon arrived Tuesday at Louisburg with 20,000 pounds of codfish and sch. Olga with 30,000 pounds and cleared for the fishing grounds.

Sch. Yakima was at Liverpool on Tuesday and cleared.

#### Closed Swordfishing Season.

The Portland fishing schooner Eva and Mildred, which has been engaged in swordfishing all summer, taking her fares into Boston, has closed her season, arriving back at Portland Thursday. The schooner has had good luck and made a fine stock, as did most of the Portland fleet engaged in swordfishing.



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## OPPOSE STEAM TRAWLING.

But If Method of the Future, Fishermen Must Adopt It.

A Halifax, N. S., concern is advertising extensively in European newspapers for the product of several steam trawlers, says the Fishing Gazette, offering to take the entire catch of these vessels in Nova Scotia waters for a period not stated, operations to begin not later than September 1, 1911. The salt fish trade, always askance at anything that seems to encourage trawling, is considering the subject soberly.

Fish operations on a mammoth scale are being prepared by several great fish concerns in this country and in the Maritime Provinces. A representative of the Fishing Gazette called on B. G. Gilchrist, manager in New York of the branch of the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Co., to direct his attention to the Halifax advertisement. He had already seen it. Asked why in the big propositions his company is putting forth the company did not use steam trawlers, Mr. Gilchrist said:

"If steam trawling is to be the best-courtenanced method of the future, we will have to go into it. We want to be leaders and not followers. But I do not believe the sea coast nations of the earth will tolerate steam trawling on the scale contemplated. The ruling idea in late years in the fisheries as along other lines, such as mining, is toward conservation of natural resources. The trawler, as you know, drags the bottom of the sea and all that comes into its nets are fish—usable for some purpose, if only for fertilizer. Now we who are in the food fish business do not go in much for other kinds of fishing. We believe in 'live and let live.' The Grand Banks are not as inexhaustible as some may imagine. You have seen your rivers, lakes and even inland seas almost fished out—so much so, at any rate, as to require strict governmental regulations about how small fish shall be taken. And you know to what expense the United States government and those of the various states are put to supply spawn for sea and fresh water fisheries. Why shouldn't the nations most concerned in the fisheries get together before it is too late and regulate this question of sea trawling? I for one a heartily in favor of it."

## A NEW INDUSTRY.

Hundreds of Sturgeon Are Being Caught in the Bay of Fundy.

Sturgeon catching is the latest industry that the fishermen of the North Atlantic coast are engaging in, but it is an industry that is not flourishing to any extent along the Maine coast, however. Capt. Frye of the schooner Marcia Bailey, reported that the sturgeon were unusually thick in the Bay of Fundy.

"I was told," said Capt. Frye, "that the fish have grown so plentiful in that section that many of them are being caught in the weirs. They are then being shipped to Boston, where the fishermen are receiving eight cents a pound for them."

Sturgeons have occasionally been brought into Portland, but never more than three or four in a season. There is little market for them there, though they have always been sold in the past.

## Big Hauls of Porgies.

Some big hauls of porgies were made off Seguin on Wednesday. Capt. Stanley of the steamer Monhegan, reports while coming up from Rockland yesterday he sighted several immense schools of the fish in the vicinity of Seguin, with a number of fishing steamers at work among them. He reports the steamers Montauk and Walter Adams, which were in here on Tuesday, as making a good haul, the former being apparently nearly full, while the Adams had just dropped her two seine boats and was at work getting round a big school apparently nearly 300 yards wide, which must have contained all of 10,000 barrels of fish. Another porgie steamer in that vicinity was once the well known steam yacht Susquehanna, and she had evidently made good with the others, she being apparently about half full. It is evident that something will be doing this season in the porgie line along the Maine coast, and should the belief become general that the fish have come back for good it will not be long before porgie factories are started up again in some of the localities where they formerly flourished.

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## Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Lillian, shore.  
Sch. Galatea, pollock.

## TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

### Salt Fish.

Salt mackerel, \$26 per bbl. for large and \$16 for small.  
Salt trawl bank codfish, \$4.25 per cwt. for large, \$3.75 for mediums and \$2.75 for snappers.  
Handline Georges codfish, large \$5, medium, \$4.45, snappers, \$3.  
Salt "Drift" codfish, large, \$4.87 1-2, medium \$4.45.  
Salt bank dory handline cod \$4.75 per cwt. for large and \$4.25 for mediums.  
Eastern halibut codfish, large \$4.75, medium, \$4.  
Haddock, \$1.75.  
Pollock, \$1.75.  
Cusk, large, \$2.50; medium, \$2; snappers, \$1.50.  
Hake, \$1.50.

Eastern shack cod, \$4.25 for large and \$3.75 for mediums.  
All codfish with napes picked bring 25c over the above prices.  
Salted whiting, \$2 per bbl. W.

### Fresh Fish.

Haddock, \$1 and \$1.05 per cwt.  
Large cod, \$2.55 per cwt.; medium, \$2 per cwt.  
Peak and Western bank fresh codfish, \$2.40 per cwt. for large and \$1.90 for mediums.  
Cusk, large, \$1.60; mediums, \$1.20.  
Snapper, cusk, 60 cts.  
Hake, \$90.  
Dressed pollock, 90 cts. round, 80 cts.  
Bank halibut, 9 cts. per lb. for white and 7 cts. for gray.  
Fresh "drift" codfish, large, \$2.60 per cwt.; mediums, \$2.05.  
Fresh shad, \$3.15 per bbl. W.  
Fresh whiting, 60 cts. per bbl. W.  
Porgies (for oil) 75 cents per bbl.  
Fresh bluebacks for bait, \$2.50 per bbl.; to the freezer, \$1.50.

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## FIRST FISHING IN BAY ST. LAWRENCE

CAPT. CHETWYND SEES WHERE IMPROVEMENT CAN BE MADE ON FUTURE TRIPS.

Capt. William Chetwynd of sch. Jubilee, which returned during the week from the Bay of St. Lawrence handline codfishing trip, tells rather an interesting story of his experience down there. It was his first trip fishing in the gulf, and he sees where an improvement could be made.

Capt. Chetwynd said while his crew fished in dories, the three men who remained on board caught as many fish from the vessel's deck. Then he believes that night fishing is the best, either from deck or on trawls, and that larger fish are caught.

The only drawback he had was the scarcity of bait, which appeared to have left the shore everywhere. It may be, he said, had they set nets on Banks Bradley or Orphan, that sufficient bait could have been procured.

Fish appeared to be plentiful all along the shore of Prince Edward Island, and from Point Miscou all down the west shore, and through Northumberland strait. From Bonaventure for 150 miles up the gulf of St. Lawrence he heard reports of plenty of fish, but no bait. The boats at Prince Edward Island were getting large catches close in shore, whenever they got bait.

The lobster fishermen were doing exceptionally well, and he saw boats with two men which had stocked \$2500 since the season opened in May. They were getting four cents a pound for large and small from the factories, which were using them all for canning, and even with this low price, they were making big money.

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## MET WITH CONSIDERABLE

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Auction of Salt Mackerel Trip Gave Dealers Equal Opportunity.

Was Innovation in Method of Disposing of Fish at This Port.

The sale of the fare of salt mackerel of sch. Monarch yesterday by auction, the fish being bid off at the enormous price of \$39.50 per barrel, appears to meet with general favor by fishermen and others connected with the fish industry. Many who were seen were exultant over this sale, and believe it the proper way not only to sell mackerel but all other kinds of fish, as is done at the Exchange at T. wharf, Boston, and which gives great satisfaction to producers.

Since the Exchange has been established in Boston, they say, it has been the means of putting thousands of dollars into the pockets of the hardy fishermen, for it is a great improvement over the old method of coming in and take what is offered.

The first bid yesterday on that trip of mackerel was \$25, and had there been no auction the fish might have sold at but little above that figure.

By the method tried yesterday in disposing of that trip here shows a big gain over last sales at \$26 per barrel to the owner and crew. As an illustration, if they were worth \$39.50 to John Jones, they were worth that to Tom Johnson.

Mackerel is a scarce article and naturally those who catch them feel they should bring a price commensurate to the expense of production. Of the ninety or one hundred million people in this country and how many of those ever saw a mackerel? It was only the other day that five persons summering here were heard to say that they had never seen a mackerel, much less eaten one and wondered what they looked like.

In speaking of yesterday's public sale, one prominently identified with the fisheries said: "Let the good work continue, and not only may mackerel be sold by auction, but all other kinds of fish which are brought into this port whether by Gloucester vessels or those from other places, other than those with fares of fish consigned from a foreign source."

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## BOSTON FISH RECEIPTS LIGHT.

ARRIVALS TODAY CONFINED TO TWO SHORE TRIPS AND ONE MACKEREL FARE.

Receipts of fish at Boston today are at low water mark and confined to only three arrivals, one of which is sch. Nellie Dixon from seining, with 3000 small fresh mackerel and 50 barrels salt mackerel. Two other crafts from shore have but small fares of ground fish, but it being the close of the week, the supply is sufficient for the demand, as the market has had more than enough for immediate use during the last few days.

In fact, Boston was unable to take all the haddock that was offering, so the fishermen had to fall back on the old reliable Gloucester, to dispose of their surplus stock.

Next week, however, will doubtless see a firmer market, for no such large trips will be in order, as has been during the week just closed.

### Boston Arrivals.

The fares and prices in detail are:  
Sch. Matchless, 30,000 haddock, 1200 cod.  
Sch. Nellie Dixon, 3000 fresh mackerel, 50 bbls. salt mackerel.  
Sch. Actor, 3500 cod, 500 hake.  
Large cod, \$4.20 per cwt.; market cod, \$3.85; pollock, \$1.90 hake, \$1.25; mackerel, 6 1-2 cts. each.

## WILL BUILD TWO MORE TRAWLERS.

FORE RIVER SHIP BUILDING CO. GETS CONTRACT FROM BAY STATE FISHING CO.

Contracts have been signed by the Fore River Shipbuilding Company of Quincy for building two new steam trawlers for the Bay State Fishing Company of Boston. They are to be of the same general type as the four already finished for the same concern and will cost about \$70,000 each. They will be of steel, 128 feet long, 23 feet beam and will have a carrying capacity of 100 tons.

The working plans are now being made and some of the orders for materials to be used in constructing the trawlers are being placed by the Fore River yards. It is hoped to launch the two new boats in six months.

The Bay State Fishing Company, of which John R. Neal is president; F. C. Dumaine, treasurer, and G. L. Stone, E. A. Rich, M. D. Freeman, W. Endicott, Jr., and F. T. Bowles directors, has consented to the use of its name by a new corporation recently organized under Massachusetts laws with \$500,000 capital, divided into 3000 preferred and 2000 common shares. The old company was formerly a Massachusetts corporation with \$100,000 capital. The preferred stock of the new company is 6 per cent. cumulative.

On August 11, President Neal stated that the negotiations for the purchase of the Bay State Fishing Company by a new company which was to be known as the Atlantic Fisheries Company, were declared to be off. The real interest seeking control of the Bay State Fishing Company was the Consolidated Fisheries Company, a \$7,000,000 Maine corporation, which plans the immediate construction of five steam trawlers, which will compete with the steam trawling business of the Bay State Fishing Company.

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## Capt. McDonald Was All Right.

The North Sydney, C. B., Herald says:

"The first halibut schooner of the Gloucester fleet arrived in port Friday morning, when the Moween, with 'Little Dan' MacDonald in command, tied up at Voight's wharf with 7,000 pounds on board. Permission was granted from Ottawa and the cargo was landed here and shipped by express to Gloucester. The shacker Morning Star also arrived the same day, having her mainsail badly torn in Tuesday's gale and a new one was telegraphed for. The Nellie G., with 100,000 pounds of cod on board, was another arrival."

A recent report in a Sydney exchange had it that Capt. McDonald had landed his fish without the necessary permission and had been fined \$500.

## Newfoundland Fish for Gloucester.

The St. John's, N. F., Chronicle says:

"A number of our West Coast fish merchants are preparing their trips of fish for the Gloucester market. This is an industry which was started last year by representatives of the firm of Gorton-Pew & Co. of Gloucester, who sent their man here in the early summer and purchased thousands of quintals of salt bulk fish. The West Coast merchants got on to the business themselves this season and hope to make a remunerative voyage of it."

## Hake Plentiful at Portland.

Hake was very plentiful in Portland yesterday and the prices were low. The market is not as firm for fish as it was a short time ago, but there is still a good demand for cod and haddock.